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Lake Canyon Fire Fully Contained

Duchesne, Utah ... Heavy rain and cooler temperatures assisted fire crews in keeping the Lake Canyon Fire from growing in size since July 13.

The lightning-caused fire was first reported on July 13 in Lake Canyon, approximately 20 miles southwest from Duchesne, Utah on the Ashley National Forest. The fire quickly grew to 85 acres, but precipitation on Friday night helped to keep the fire from spreading further. Additional moisture was received during the weekend that assisted in fire suppression.

Firefighters worked throughout the weekend in extinguishing hot spots within the fire perimeter and creating containment line. The fire is now 100 percent contained. There is currently minimal fire behavior with some creeping in interior unburned fuels.

There are no closures or evacuations. No structures are threatened. There are currently 35 firefighters assigned to the fire that are completing mop up operations and strengthening containment lines.

This will be the last news release unless significant activity occurs on the Lake Canyon Fire. For further information, please contact Don Jaques, Partnership Coordinator for the Ashley National Forest at 435-781-5119.

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